

CHURCH AND ST MATTHEWS CARETAKER

We are looking to appoint a caretaker for both Church and St Matthews. Please see the notice on the noticeboards and contact with Gary either in writing or via email at gary@holytrinity.stalybridge.org

GIVING

Thank you so much for all you give to the mission and ministry of Holy Trinity. If you would like to join the regular giving scheme here please speak to Kevin treasurer@holytrinity.stalybridge.org. More information can be found on the welcome desk

SERVING

There are a number of different ways to serve God at Holy Trinity – working with technology, young people, food and many many more. Please contact the office if you would like to explore how you can serve the Lord at Holy Trinity.

LISTEN ONLINE

All our talks are recorded and available online here if you missed one <http://www.holytrinity.stalybridge.org/talks/>

PLEASE PRAY for the ministry and mission of the church and this week...

- West Hill School Concerts in church this week.
- Messy Church on Saturday 7th at 4pm
- All the coming Christmas events and the guests who visit our church

PRAY FOR ME

If you have any prayer requests please email them to: prayformeht@gmail.com

Gary Kennaugh	Vicar	gary@holytrinity.stalybridge.org	(day off: Friday)
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The church office is now open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9am to 5pm
And Tuesday from 9am to 3pm

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www.holytrinity.stalybridge.org

December 1st 2019

Sunday 1st December

9.15am and 11.15am

Family Worship and Toy Service

'Get ready for Jesus'

Matthew 24: 36-44

6.30pm Breathe service

Monday 2nd December

9.00am Prayer meeting

9.00am Family Forum

Tuesday 3rd December

9.00am Prayer meeting

1.00pm Cascade Drop In

7.30pm West Hill Concert

Wednesday 4th December

9.00am Prayer meeting

10.00am Bridge Coffee

10.30am Communion

6.30pm Alive Youth

7.30pm West Hill Concert

Thursday 5th December

9.00am Prayer meeting

7.15pm Encounter Youth

Friday 6th December

9.00am Prayer meeting

12noon Carers Connect

Saturday 7th December

4.00pm Messy Church

Sunday 8th December

9.15am and 11.15am Communion
and Children's groups

'Prepare Yourself'

Matt 3: 1-12

2.30pm Memory Tree Cafe



LOVE • GROW • SERVE



It is great to see you this morning! If you are visiting us or are new to Holy Trinity, thank you for coming. Please sit anywhere you want to and join in as much or as little as you feel comfortable with. Everything you need will be on the screens and there is always provision for young people.

Afterwards we share tea and coffee together (get there quickly before the kids eat all the biscuits) and we offer prayer ministry in the side chapel near the front. If you want to know more about the church please ask one of the welcome team (wearing white badges) or ask Gary, the Vicar. We hope you will feel at home this morning.

Holy Trinity exists to:

Love God
Grow Community
Serve Stalybridge

TOY SERVICE 1st December - TODAY

Today we are having our annual Toy Service. Please bring along new and unwrapped toys that will be given to children in and around our local community. It's a great way of extending God's love in the surrounding area. (You can also drop them at the church office this Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.)

KAIROS Youth Event 6th December

A special Friday night for teenagers. Speak to Ruth for more information

MESSY CHURCH 7th December

A great fun packed time learning about God. Speak with Bea if you would like to help or know more. It will be from 4.00pm

MEMORY TREE CAFÉ 8th December

An opportunity for some quiet reflection amidst the busy festive season. Call in the lounge between 2.30pm and 6.00pm for free light refreshments and an opportunity to add a name or message to the Memory Tree and light a candle in memory of a loved one. See Janet D'Anzi for more details.

CAROL SERVICES 15th December

Our annual Carol Services will be at 4.30pm and 6.30pm on Sunday 15th December. Please invite friends and neighbours along to either service

CASCADE DROP IN CHRISTMAS PARTY 17th December

Buffet lunch and refreshments, guest singer and other activities. You will need to book a place and the forms are at the back of church or from the church office or Janet D'Anzi.

OUTDOOR CAROLS 18th December

We are joining with other churches, West Hill School, Tameside Community Voices and Tameside Council to hold an outdoor Carol Service. It's in the evening, in the square outside the Civic hall. All are welcome. Donations towards Tameside East Foodbank

CHRISTMAS CEILIDH 20th December

Dancing, singing and celebrating together with a live Band. Join us for a fun evening with Bring and Share supper and bring your friends. Tickets now available from the church office at £7.00 each.

NATIVITY FROM SCRATCH 22nd December

Retelling the birth of Jesus with costumes! Adults and children alike can come dressed up as their favourite Nativity Character and join in the fun.

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE 24th December

The traditional Christmas Family service with oranges, sweets and candles. A great service to invite friends with children to.

GOSPEL CHOIR

The Gospel Choir will be getting together again for our Carol Services on **Sunday 15th December 4.30pm & 6.30pm**. We would love some new members and would like to particularly encourage more men to join us! This is a fun and uplifting way of connecting with others and meeting new people. Enthusiasm and an ability to hold a tune are all that is required. Rehearsals will be today 1st and 8th December all at 1.30 to 2.30pm in church. People from the 1st service usually pop home for lunch and come back for an hour while people at the later service bring a packed lunch. We are also hoping to organise a short performance at Tesco on Sat morning December 14th plus the outdoor Carols on Wed 18th Dec in the evening. Further details to follow. For more info and to get the dropbox link to the songs speak to or email Sue Green. drummersue@hotmail.com

SPONSORED RICE AND BEANS DIET CHALLENGE

Nick Lowther, Diana Flynn Carien Rai and Cris Trueman are going on a diet of rice and beans for a week between 7th and 13th December in order to raise money for the Malawi Eagles who work with some of the poorest communities in Malawi. **Sponsorship forms** are at the back of the church and your prayers of support would be very much welcomed. If anyone would prefer to donate on line, this can be done through the following link to Nick's Just Giving page.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/nicholas-lowther>

CARERS CONNECT

Just a reminder that Carers Connect meet on just the first Friday of each month at 12noon in the church lounge. The last one this year is on Friday.

CHRISTMAS INVITES

We are wanting to give a Christmas services invite to all the houses and business's in our parish. At the back of church are bundles with addresses on. Please take whatever you can to deliver this week.

LISTENING EAR TRAINING SKILLS Jan 11th & 18th 2020

As a caring church, we want to value and empower people through good listening skills. Since good listening is not a skill that comes naturally, it has to be learned and practiced. This training is suitable for all ministries and all interested in developing these skills. See Nick D'Anzi or Dave Monday for more details.

CASCADE HELPERS

Our Cascade drop in centre is growing !! It's growing so much we could do with some extra helpers to help with the brewing up. It's every Tuesday 1pm to 4pm. If you could help anytime or just once a month please see Janet D'Anzi or Sue Smith.